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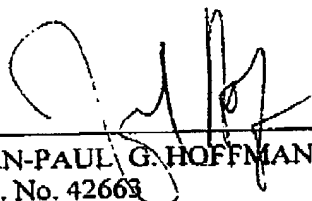
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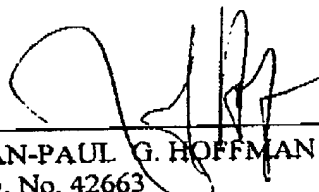
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENTMail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

In reply to the restriction requirement of the Office Action dated September 16, 2004, applicants hereby provisionally elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-9 and 17-19. This election is made with traverse.

Applicants submit that the subject matter of Groups I, II, III, IV and V are sufficiently related that a thorough search and examination of any one Group would necessarily encompass the search and examination of the remaining Group. In particular, Examiner specifies that Groups I, II, III and IV are all classified in the same general classification - class 250, subclass 492.2 - and thus Applicants submit that there would be no undue or serious burden to search of all of these Groups. Further, Applicants fail to understand how Group V would have any different classification than Groups I through IV or involve any significantly different searching terms or techniques. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that searching of Group V would not present any undue burden.

So, in conclusion, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and examination of the entire application can be conducted without serious burden, and that the criteria for a proper requirement for restriction between patentably distinct inventions has not been met. Indeed, MPEP § 803 clearly states that "[i]f the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on its merits,

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even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions" (emphasis added). Applicants submit that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to applicants and duplicative examination by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants respectfully submit that the restriction requirement fails to satisfy the criteria of MPEP §803 and is improper.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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